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Insert Title of Invention ➡ (hereinafter designated as the undersigned) has (have) invented certain new and useful improvements in METHOD AND APPARATUS INTEGRAL WITH AN ARTICLE OF APPAREL  
FOR TIGHTENING A STRAP

for which an application for Letters Patent of the United States of America has been executed by the undersigned

Insert Date of Signing of Application ➡ on August 15, 1998; and

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